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ALERT #86

TO: Controllers and Chief Financial Officers of State Departments

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SUBJECT: Changes in Federal Indirect Cost Regulations

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Changes in Federal Indirect Cost Regulations

Significant changes have recently been made to the federal regulations which control the preparation of indirect cost plans and indirect cost rate proposals. All final and proposed changes to federal regulations are printed in the Federal Register. A delay usually occurs in the reissue of revised circulars and inclusion of the revisions in the printed bound copies of the Code of Federal Regulations. References have been made below to the date of the Federal Register in which the final and proposed changes can be found.

These changes are as follows:

• Circular A-87 (Final Revision)

This is a comprehensive revision of the circular which rescinds and supersedes the Circular A-87 issued on January 15, 1981. This revised circular has been printed in the Wednesday, May 17, 1995 Federal Register.



• Circular A-21 (Proposed Revisions)

There are eight revisions being proposed. Five of the proposed changes have a direct impact on allowable costs. The proposed revisions have been printed in the February 6, 1995 Federal Register.

• Code of Federal Regulation Title 48 Chapter 99 (Final Revision)

Chapter 99 of Title 48 contains the codification of the cost accounting standards which have been promulgated by the Cost Accounting Standard Board of the Office of Management and Budget. These standards are contained in Part 9904 of this chapter. Part 9905 titled <u>Application of Cost Accounting Standards Board Regulations to Educational Institutions</u> has been added to Chapter 99. This added Part to Chapter 99 has been printed in the November 8, 1994 Federal Register.

An all day training session has been scheduled for September 27, 1995 on the revised Circular A-87. This training session is being sponsored by the Colorado Financial Managers Association (CFMA) and will cost \$40.00 for members and \$60.00 for non-members. Registration information is available from Kristine Newton at (303)239-4487.

If you have any questions relating to the revisions to federal regulations discussed above, please call Dennis Palamet at (303)866-3240.

New Fiscal Rules Available Through Juniper Valley

Copies of the new State Fiscal Rules effective September 1, 1995 are available through Juniper Valley. The order number has been changed to 615-82-50-1005 due to a switch in their program. Orders submitted under the order number given in Alert #85 will also receive the new rules.

Clean Air Transit Benefit Guide

DOAC has recently published an implementation guide for those departments interested in offering ECO passes to their employees. The Clean Air Transit Benefit is available pursuant to the new State Fiscal Rules effective September 1, 1995. Copies of the implementation guide are available from Jody Pyott at (303)866-3281.